

MOVED BY A BLOWER FAN AND TUBING; ONLY LINE BRATTICE SHALL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE; AND

(6) THE FAN AND TUBING SHALL BE INSPECTED AT LEAST TWICE DURING EACH WORKING SHIFT.

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(D) VOLUME OF AIR.--

(1) IN GENERAL.--THE MAIN INTAKE AIR CURRENT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO SPLITS UTILIZING AIR CROSSINGS, WHERE NEEDED, TO VENTILATE EFFECTIVELY ANY PART OF THE MINE. THE NUMBER OF WORKERS ON A SPLIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO 75. THE QUANTITY OF AIR REACHING THE LAST OPEN CROSSCUT IN ANY PAIR OR SET OF ENTRIES SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN 6,000 CUBIC FEET A MINUTE. HOWEVER, THE QUANTITY OF AIR REACHING THE LAST OPEN CROSSCUT IN ANY PAIR OR SET OF ENTRIES IN PILLAR SECTIONS MAY BE LESS THAN 6,000 CUBIC FEET A MINUTE, IF AT LEAST 6,000 CUBIC FEET OF AIR A MINUTE IS BEING DELIVERED TO THE INTAKE END OF THE PILLAR LINE. MINES OPERATING WITHOUT THE PRESCRIBED QUANTITY OF AIR IN THE LAST OPEN CROSSCUT OF EACH PAIR OR SET OF ENTRIES, ON JULY 1, 1973, MAY CONTINUE TO OPERATE IN THIS MANNER, BUT PROMPT ACTION SHALL BE TAKEN TO DELIVER THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF AIR IN THE LAST OPEN CROSSCUTS OF EACH PAIR OR SET OF ENTRIES IN THE MINE.

(2) DILUTION OF SMOKE.--THE AIR CURRENT AT EVERY WORKING FACE SHALL HAVE A SUFFICIENT VOLUME AND VELOCITY TO DILUTE AND CARRY AWAY SMOKE FROM ELASTING AND ANY FLAMMABLE OR HARMFUL GAS.

(3) MEASURING.--AT LEAST ONCE EACH WEEK, THE MINE FOREMAN, HIS ASSISTANTS, OR ANOTHER COMPETENT PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE MINE FOREMAN, SHALL MEASURE THE VOLUME OF AIR NEAR THE MAIN INTAKE OR MAIN RETURN, THE AMOUNT PASSING THROUGH THE LAST OPEN CROSSCUTS OF ENTRIES, AND THE VOLUME OF AIR IN EACH SPLIT. A RECORD OF THESE MEASUREMENTS SHALL BE KEPT IN A BOOK ON THE SURFACE OF THE MINE AND IS OPEN FOR INSPECTION BY ANY INTERESTED PERSON.

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